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Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace paragraph [0045] with the following amended paragraph:

[0045] The iButton is an example of a tracking device 22. The iButton is a 16mm computer chip enclosed in a 16 mm stainless steel housing that can withstand extreme temperature conditions, and is designed to be durable, such that it lasts for years. Each has a unique registration number associated with it. A memory iButton can store the information, such as typed text and can also update the memory upon a simple contact to indicate that a contact has been made. An iButton may also contain a real-time clock to track the timing of the events associated with the iButton. The iButton may also have a conductive surface that may be utilized to link the iButton to other devices, for example, the processing and/or data storage device 18 or network 20.

Please replace paragraph [0080] with the following amended paragraph:

[0080] FIGS. 17-18 illustrate another exemplary embodiment of a tracking system 10 in accordance with the present invention. As shown in FIG. 17, the goods 14 may be placed in a container 15 that is placed on a shelf 86 of a drawer 88. It should be understood that the drawer 88 may be designed with or without an individual compartment for the container 15. Similar to the track system of FIGS. 14-16, the goods 14 or container 15 may be individually linked to the network 20 or linked to the network 20 when the a conductive surface of the tracking device 22 associated with the goods 14 is electrically linked to one or more conductive portions 92 on a surface of the drawer storage rack 90, for example, a back surface, that is linked to the network

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26 or external network 28.

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20, access control system 26, and/or external network 28. For example, the status and/or identifying information of the goods, 14, the container 15, and/or the drawer 88 are logged onto the network 20 when the drawer 88, for example, is rolled or slid back into the drawer storage rack 90 and a conductor on the back of the drawer mates or couples with a compatible conductor on the back of the drawer storage rack 90 that is linked to the network 20, access control system